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THIS WEEK: DECEMBER 21 - DECEMBER 27

SUNDAY

Worship... 8:00am, 9:15am, 10:30am Sunday School... 9:15am,10:30am

MONDAY

Staff Meeting... 8:30am

TUESDAY

No Scheduled Activities

WEDNESDAY

Christmas Eve Services 3:00pm, 5:00pm, 9:00pm, 11:00pm

THURSDAY

Merry Christmas! Church Office Closed

FRIDAY

Church Office Closed

SATURDAY

No Scheduled Activities

We're grateful to have all of you with us this morning in worship. If you're a quest with us, I want to extend a warm welcome on behalf of our church family. I want you to know we believe what we talk about here. Contrary to what a lot of people think, as Christians, we don't think we have it all together. In fact, we know we don't and that's why we're here. Most of us have looked for answers to life's questions in a lot of different places and we've found that Jesus really is the one with the answers, so our quest for understanding includes studying the book he's given to us . . . the Bible. We know people wrote it, but they were people that God inspired to do so. So, we believe it!



If you'd like to talk about anything we talk about today or anything related to your experience, one of our staff or I would love the opportunity to visit with you. I hope you'll take the time to fill out the CONNECTION CARD and drop it in the offering plate at the end of the service. We'll be in touch!

Thanks again for choosing to worship with us today.

Pastor Ken

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MORNING WORSHIP DECEMBER 21, 2025

Sing We The Song Of Emmanuel

Welcome

Children's Message (10:30am)

Angels From The Realms Of Glory

Testimony Video/Believer's Baptism (10:30am)

Noel (He Is Born) - Adult Choir

*Angels We Have Heard On High

Prayer

Sermon Dr. Ken Parker, Senior Pastor

Who Would Have Dreamed - Clara Black and Aleesa Pierret

Scripture Reading

Closing Prayer - Jason Ross

*(10:30am service) K-3rd grade dismiss to Children's Church. Children need to be checked in to attend. Pick up is after service in room 216 upstairs.

If you would like to speak with someone about how to become a Christian, believer's baptism, joining the church or something else related to your faith, you're invited to the front at the conclusion of worship to talk with one of our staff members or deacons or their wives. They'll be there to meet you . . .

December Scripture – For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6 (ESV)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2026 Bible Reading Plan. Your 2026 Bible Reading Plan is here! Join the church family as we read through the Psalms (A journey through the Psalms) in one year. We look forward to growing in our faith and understanding of God through His Word. Get your copy today at the Welcome Center.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service - December 24 at 3:00pm, 5:00pm, 9:00pm and 11:00pm Join us for one of our Christmas Eve Candlelight Services where we will sing carols, share scripture, share in the celebration of the Lord's Supper, rejoice as we worship together, and leave with our hearts brimming with the Reason for the Season! We will be observing Believer's Baptism in these Christmas Eve Services. If you would like to follow the Lord in baptism, please contact the church office.

Bring Your Parents To Class Day. Join us on January 4 for Bring Your Parents To Class Day. In 2026, Kearney Kids has planned four Sundays where parents are invited to join their children for Sunday School. Each one will look a little different, join us in the Activity Center at 9:15am. This will replace Sunday School. We will begin with an activity for you to do with your child, a short devotion led by Abraham Leonard, and end with a fun Q&A time where you can ask Abraham anything. We hope to see you there!

Lottie Moon "pocket post office". Our Lottie Moon goal is \$12,000. The pocket post office is up and running in the Fireside Lobby. Feel free to leave your Christmas cards for the church family in the appropriate pocket and consider giving what you would normally spend on postage to our Lottie Moon Christmas offering. Be sure to check your last name initial pocket for cards left for your family each week leading up to Christmas.

Biblical Citizenship in Modern America Class is coming February 2026! Make plans now to join us and learn how you can be a catalyst for restoring Biblical values in our community, state and nation. Can't wait to get started? Check the Biblical Citizenship page on our website for learning opportunities available to you now and for more info about the class. Contact: Emilie Lunt (emilieduncan@gmail.com or 417.793.1248).

Upward. Upward ministry is in need of referees for basketball, help in the concession stand, and help with tearing down on Saturday afternoon. This is a great way to get involved. Please let Bobby or Jennifer Higgins know if you can help! (bobbyhiggins@hotmail.com)

Women's Spring Retreat. Ladies....Great News, we have extended the registration deadline for the Rise.Reclaim.Renew Spring Retreat. January 4 is now the deadline to register and pay your \$100 nonrefundable deposit. Please go to the church website to register.

Lost And Found. All unclaimed items in the Lost & Found will be donated during the first week of January 2026. If you've misplaced something, please visit the room closet next to the main elevator, to retrieve your belongings before the end of the year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Church office will be open until noon on December 24 and closed December 25-26. The Church office will close at noon on December 31 and will be closed January 1. All Wednesday evening activities will resume January 7.

Winter Weather Schedule. With winter upon us, please be aware of our WINTER WEATHER SCHEDULE in the event of snow and ice. Seldom do we cancel, but if weather dictates we need to adjust, we utilize our WINTER WEATHER SCHEDULE. If we announce the WINTER WEATHER SCHEDULE it simply means we'll be having 10:30am WORSHIP ONLY; everything else would be cancelled for Sunday morning. Whether there's an adjustment for a Sunday or a Wednesday evening, we will post cancellations on the church website: www.kearneyfbc.com and also on local KMBC Channel 9 news.

Operation Christmas Child. We have packed and sent on their way 601 shoeboxes using items and monetary donations from our church family! We have been collecting donations for the processing, shipping and distribution costs associated with sending these shoeboxes to needy children around the world (\$10 per box (\$6010) needed to send to Samaritan's Purse). You have generously given and we have received \$6553! The extra dollars will help us get started on our 2026 shoeboxes. Thank you for supporting this ministry!

His Mission . . . Our Time. The renovation of the educational building is now complete. This included heating and cooling units, enlarging classrooms, and redoing the surfaces. We've also successfully addressed security issues that we think will be very helpful. Please give weekly, monthly, or online. Mark your check or envelope, His Mission, Our Time. Thank you so much for your continued support of "His Mission, Our Time."

Social Media. Follow us on Facebook (First Baptist Church of Kearney) and Instagram (fbckearneymo) for information about events at FBC and to watch Sunday sermons live on Facebook. We also have a group that is created for our church family to ask for or offer services that may be needed. We want to support our church family as much as possible. Please find us at KFBC, members helping members.

Right Now Media. Our church family is fortunate to have Right Now Media available to us. It contains many helpful Christian resources for our church family, and many have found its resources to be very helpful. If you need help accessing RightNow Media or have any questions about it, please feel free to contact Jon Oettel in the church office. As with any author, book company, etc., there's always a possibility that something won't align with our doctrinal statement. If you ever find that to be the case, please notify the church office. https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/KearneyFBC.

Let's come together in this season of giving to bless those who shepherd and serve us in faith. You can easily give a special Christmas donation for our pastors and staff by designating your gift in the church offering. Simply write "Staff Christmas Gift" on your envelope or your online giving form. Thank you for your many generous expressions of love for our wonderful KFBC Staff!



Scan the QR code to visit our website (www.kearneyfbc.com) where you can find information about our church such as upcoming events and ministry opportunities, view past sermons and give an offering to the church. We are grateful to have you join us here at First Baptist Church